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Sarah Palin To Be Featured At 2010 National Quartet Convention

Louisville, KY - The National Quartet Convention Board of Directors is pleased to welcome former Alaska Governor and 2008 Republican vice presidential nominee, Sarah Palin to be featured at the 2010 National Quartet Convention, set to take place September 12 through 18 in Louisville, KY.

Author, speaker and political commentator, Sarah Palin became only the second female and the first Alaskan on the national ticket of a major party when Republican presidential candidate John McCain chose Palin as his running mate in the 2008 presidential election. Palin was also the first female vice-presidential nominee of the Republican Party.

In November, 2009 her autobiography, *Going Rogue: An American Life* was released and quickly became a best-seller. In January, 2010 Palin began providing political commentary to the Fox News Channel under a multi-year contract.

Governor Palin will serve as the keynote speaker during an hour-long event on Thursday, September 16, beginning at 2:00pm in Louisville's Freedom Hall, located on the grounds of the Kentucky Exposition Center. Palin will speak for 30 minutes and then spend 30 minutes conducting a question and answer session with attendees. Admission to the session featuring Palin will be included with the Thursday Showcase ticket package offered by the National Quartet Convention.

"We are delighted to be able to present Governor Palin to our NQC attendees," NQC Executive Vice President Clarke Beasley stated. "She is an inspiration to so many, and she is doing many conferences throughout the nation where she focuses on what her Christian faith and her family means to her. Those are the type of topics she will address at the NQC. We are thrilled to host her."

According to Beasley, members of the media will also be able to attend the event. "Plans are being made to accommodate the members of the media who plan to attend. We will have a reserved area for them right behind the audio console. In that reserved area, media representatives will be able to position cameras on tripods and we will also supply a direct audio feed to them."

Beasley also suggests that media representatives planning to attend the event please confirm in advance. Media representatives may send an email to writersink@att.net to confirm plans to attend.

Complete information regarding the National Quartet Convention and to purchase tickets for the all NQC events, call **1-800-846-8499** or visit www.natqc.com.

About the 2010 National Quartet Convention: This year marks the 53rd Annual National Quartet Convention. The Convention has made its home in the city of Louisville since 1994. Approximately 40,000 people will attend the 2010 event, with at least 40 states and a half dozen foreign countries represented. The Convention is Christian music's largest marketplace and largest annual event with more than 500 exhibitors and nearly 300 Southern Gospel recording artists in attendance.

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One of the top 10 largest public facilities of its kind in the United States, the Kentucky Exposition Center features 1.2 million square feet of indoor space including Freedom Hall, an indoor arena which seats over 19,000 people. The facility's class "A" exhibit space totals 425,700 square feet and accommodates an amazing spectrum of events year round. The expo center is the permanent home for the Kentucky State Fair, the National Farm Machinery Show, and the North American International Livestock Exposition. Conveniently located adjacent to the Louisville International Airport and near the junction of three major interstates, the Kentucky Exposition Center is easily accessible and just five minutes south of downtown Louisville. For more information, go online to www.kyexpo.org.

